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WASTE WATER, AND METHODS OF USING
SILICA SOL IN PAPERMAKING

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated August 22, 2008, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 4 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 12 of this paper.